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The Honorable Amy Klobuchar
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The Honorable Charles Schumer
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The Honorable Roy Blunt
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The Honorable Mitch McConnell
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Dear Senators:

I write to express my strong opposition to President Biden's nomination of Dara Lindenbaum to serve as a member of the Federal Election Commission (FEC), and I urge you to reject her nomination.

It would be a travesty to grant Lindenbaum a seat on the FEC when she has spent the last four years in my state of Georgia undermining the integrity of our election system, perpetuating false claims of voter suppression, and pushing unfounded conspiracy theories that our voting machines "switched" votes from failed gubernatorial candidate Stacey Abrams to Brian Kemp in 2018.

In fact, Lindenbaum has spent her career serving as counsel for Democratic candidates and left-leaning voter advocacy groups, including her current and long-standing role as attorney for Stacey Abrams' non-profit organization, Fair Fight Action. Lindenbaum sued to challenge the validity of Georgia's 2018 gubernatorial election that Abrams lost but refused to concede, and the bulk of Lindenbaum's unfounded, unproven and unsubstantiated allegations were so spurious that they were dismissed without trial by a federal judge last year.

The FEC is structured as an independent agency that seeks to uphold the integrity of elections. Yet the President has nominated an individual who has worked endlessly to denigrate our election system by peddling unfounded conspiracy theories, including baseless allegations of vote flipping via voting machines.

While Lindenbaum testified to a Senate committee on April 6, 2022, that it has been her "life's work" to bolster confidence in our election system and that she seeks to be a "consensus builder," her actions in Georgia over the past four years tell a very different story.

It is unreasonable to assume Lindenbaum would operate with impartiality if confirmed. Her joining the six-member FEC panel would greatly influence the ideological makeup of the FEC by replacing an independent commissioner with one who has fought vigorously to challenge only those elections that result in a loss for the Democratic Party, while undermining public confidence in elections generally.

Lindenbaum's egregious attempts to invalidate Georgia's election system based on false claims manufactured by the Abrams campaign should be cause for alarm. Were she confirmed to serve on the FEC, her position would be one that favors only those she has continued to defend and represent over the years through the targeting of the opposing party with baseless allegations at every step of her career. Her appointment would greatly increase the appearance of rank partisanship on the FEC and would significantly harm efforts to restore Americans' confidence in our elections.

For the above reasons, I strongly urge you to reject this nomination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Christopher Carr", written in a cursive style.

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Georgia Attorney General